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Incorporating a Block and Tackle"

**AMENDMENT**

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Applicant submits the following in response to the final Office Action dated 30 November 2009. This Response is being submitted on March 1, 2010 (February 28, 2010 being a Sunday). Please enter the following amendments and remarks:

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